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SUBJ: PROPOSED METHODS FOR CONSERVING AVIATION FUEL

REF: A. WELLINGTON 3161

B. WELLINGTON 3277

1. EMBASSY ECON OFFICER HAS JUST LEARNED FROM
COMPTROLLER AIR SERVICES POLICY, FRASER NORTON, THAT
A LETTER IS BEING DRAFTED IN DEPARTMENT TRANSPORT FOR
SIGNATURE MINISTER IN CHARGE OF CIVIL AVIATION, DR.
FINLAY, WHICH WILL BE SENT TO AIR LINE REPS
OPERATING IN (NAC), OR PROVIDING INTERNATIONAL SERVICE
TO, NEW ZEALAND CONCERNING MEANS FOR CONSERVING FUEL.

2. LETTER WILL POINT UP NEED TO DISCONTINUE DUAL
OR PARALLEL SERVICES WHERE ONE (OR FEWER) AIRCRAFT CAN
PROVIDE SERVICE.

3. AIRLINES WILL BE REQUESTED TO DEVELOP SUGGES-
TIONS FOR ARRANGEMENT FOR POOLING EQUIPMENT TO COVER
NEEDED SERVICES AND CONSERVE FUEL. COMMENT: IN THIS
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REGARD MENTION WAS MADE TO EMBASSY OFFICER OF THE

GREATER FUEL ECONOMY OF ANZ'S NEW DC-10'S.

4. NORTON SAID THAT NEED FOR GREATLY INCREASED DOMESTIC AIR SERVICES DURING COMMONWEALTH GAMES IN FACE OF FUEL CRISIS A MATTER OF INCREASING CONCERN OF CIVIL AVIATION PEOPLE. BECAUSE OF LIMITED SUPPLY OF JET FUEL AT CHRISTCHURCH WHERE GAMES TO BE HELD, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, INTERNATIONAL OR DOMESTIC FLIGHTS OPERATING INTO CHRISTCHURCH WILL NEED TO REFUEL ELSEWHERE, SUCH AS WELLINGTON OR PREFERABLY AUCKLAND WHERE SUPPLIES LESS REPEAT LESS LIMITED.

5. FURTHER REFERENCE WAS MADE TO INTEREST IN WORKING OUT SOME ARRANGEMENT WHEREBY AMERICAN AIRLINES AND PAN AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS MIGHT ALSO PROVIDE DOMESTIC (I.E. AUCKLAND-CHRISTCHURCH) SERVICE DURING THEIR LAY OVERS IN AUCKLAND BEFORE STARTING RETURN FLIGHT TO U.S.

6. MENTION WAS MADE OF A ONE FLIGHT CUT BY AA STARTING JANUARY 5 AND AA'S CONCERN BECUASE OF LARGE BACK LOG OF PASSENGERS.

7. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION OR GUIDANCE DEPT. DEEMS USEFUL ON POSSIBILITY OR DESIRABILITY OF (A) POOLING EQUIPMENT, AND (B) PAA AND AA PROVIDING DOMESTIC SERVICE AS INDICATED ABOVE DURING LARGE INCREASE IN TRAFFIC DURING COMMONWEALTH GAMES WHICH TAKE PLACE JANUARY 24 TO FEBRUARY 2, 1974.
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